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Pursuant to the duty of candor and good faith required of each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a U.S. patent application, Applicant hereby discloses the references listed on the attached PTO Form-1449. A copy of each of the references listed on the attached PTO Form-1449 is enclosed. Applicant requests that these documents be considered and made of record in this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Copies of References

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